

Small Forest Landowner Advisory Committee (SFLOAC) Meeting

Wednesday May 7th 2008, 10:00-1:00 Room 461, Olympia NRB

Meeting Attendees: Mary McDonald, Dave Whipple, Sherry Fox, Mark Hicks, Adrian Miller, Maurice Williamson, Dennis Dart, Ken Miller, Phil Hess, Jeffrey Thomas, Jim Murphy

Board Manual #21

- Latest version was emailed out prior to meeting, everyone had a chance to look it over and agreed to forward it to the Forest Practice Board
- Mary gave an update on the planning for training of DNR staff and consulting foresters, this will probably happen after fire season in the fall

SFLO Caucus – Concerns with current process

- Feel like the current process isn't working, most ideas don't end up the way they were intended
- Need to keep in mind that state agencies are charged with protecting natural resources, this is why the processes is complicated
- State agencies tend to follow the TFW rules rather regardless of its effects on small's, ask they partner with then rather than being "regulatory gatekeepers"
- Is TFW the best arena to work in to keep small's on the landscape?
- There has been progress made, good energy and good ideas have been implemented such as the LTA in the last five years
- Everyone is to come up with "problem statements" to bring to the next meeting in order to brainstorm as to the best way to continue
- It was agreed that the committee will adjust its schedule for the summer to half day meetings in the afternoons in order to best use everyone's time

Ken Miller's Low Impact Document

- Ken introduced it to the group, it had been emailed to the group prior to the meeting
- Still an idea, intent was to define
- Dennis suggested that after the earlier morning's discussion, it would be best to table it for now

Upcoming meetings

- The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 5th 2008 in room 461 of the NRB at 1:00pm
- For the rest of the summer, meetings will be cut down half days in the afternoons of the first Wednesday of every month